

in the original measure.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Crosby, your response.

SENATOR CROSBY: Yes, I will, and I think that the questions that Senator Wickersham was asking are certainly pertinent to my motion that I, or my challenge that it's not germane. And in the rule, no motion, proposition or subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of amendment. Germane amendments relate only to details of the specific subject of the bill and must be a natural and logical sequence to the subject matter of the original proposal. I don't really see that bingo follows a repeal on breeding livestock. So I would ask you that you rule it is not germane.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Will, anything further?

SENATOR WILL: No, I would just say that I think our germaneness rule has been interpreted more tightly than I would, but I think this definitely fits within that tight interpretation in that it is, it's a tax that goes to a local subdivision of government that is being repealed.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Will, I have to agree with Senator Crosby, I believe that this amendment is not germane.

SENATOR WILL: I would challenge the Chair.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: There has been a challenge to the Chair. Senator Will, to open on the motion to overrule the Chair.

SENATOR WILL: Yeah, I think my argument here is a very simple one, Madam President, that we are in the process of inserting a number of things into this bill which I have to wonder about the germaneness of the amendment that is upcoming if this amendment could actually be declared not germane. But clearly this is a tax, it's a tax that a local government has levied that has been authorized by the state. It's something that we're simply going in, it would be repealed by this amendment and I think that the argument does not get much simpler than that. I would urge...this to me is a matter of equity, it is something that has clearly been an unjust tax for a number of years. This would go nowhere near to making this tax as just as it ought to be which would be the original contents of LB 489 which would have a major impact on the state portion of the tax as well.